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The present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and therefore no certification under 37 CFR §1.97(e) or fee under 37 CFR §1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed.

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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP § 609.

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